

**PERRY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES – NOVEMBER 5, 2012**

The Perry County Board of Commissioners convened at 6:00 p.m. as was duly advertised. All three Commissioners (President Bill Amos, Louis J. Fortwendel and Thomas Hauser) were in attendance. Also, present was a media representative from the Perry County News, County Attorney, Chris Goffinet, and County Administrator, Teresa Kanneberg.

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

CLAIMS

The claim dockets were presented in the amounts of \$342,768.34 for county claims; \$74,909.54 for highway claims; advance claims of \$1,577.44, \$632.95, and Jury Claims in the amount of \$4906.72 for a total of \$424,794.99. Also, presented were payrolls distributed on October 22, 2012 in the amount of \$116,212.47 and November 5, 2012 in the amount of \$116,224.19. Jody made a motion to approve all claims and payrolls, and Tom seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

MINUTES

The minutes from the meetings of October 1st and October 17th, 2012 had been mailed to the commissioners for their review. Tom made the motion to approve the minutes as presented, and Jody seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

HIGHWAY AND SHERIFF SPECIFICATIONS

County Auditor, Connie Berger, presented the commissioners with the 2013 specifications for the following items; on road and off road diesel, crushed stone and culverts for the Highway Department and gasoline for the Sheriff's Department. It was explained that the bids would be opened at the commissioners meeting on December 3rd. Jody made the motion to approve the specifications and Tom seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

DENTAL INSURANCE ANNUAL RENEWAL

County Auditor, Connie Berger, presented the renewal election form for the year 2013 for dental insurance through Health Resources, Inc. of Evansville. She explained that the rates did not increase for 2013. The rates will be as follows: Employee Only \$21.50; Employee & 1 Dependent \$45.20; and Employee & Family \$79.20. She noted that the county does not pay any portion of the premiums. Jody made a motion to approve the renewal, and Tom seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

LEASE AGREEMENT – PERRY COUNTY COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS

County Auditor, Connie Berger, presented the commissioners with the lease agreement between Tell City Electric Department and Perry County Community Corrections. Connie explained that the agreement was from January 1 to June 30, 2013 and after that the lease is on a monthly basis until they move into the new Sheriff's Office and Detention Center. County Attorney, Chris Goffinet, had reviewed the lease, and found it to be in proper legal order. Jody made the motion to approve the lease and Tom seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

NATIONAL PHILANTHROPY DAY

Rebecca Fenn, Executive Director with United Way along with Perry County Power of Youth Council members Nick Coultas, Andrew Mosby, and Levi Hilgenhold attended the meeting. Nick Coultas spoke for the group and explained that Philanthropy is an American Tradition and benefits nonprofit agencies around the world. He stated that it is a way to give back to the community. He asked the commissioners to declare November 15, 2012 as National Philanthropy Day in Perry County. The Proclamation urges all citizens of the county to recognize the valuable contributions made by philanthropic organizations and those who have given their time, talent and treasure to improve the quality of life in Perry County. Rebecca stated that the Power of Youth was started as a youth philanthropic organization to teach them how to give back to their community. Tom made the motion to declare November 15th as "Perry County Philanthropy Day". Jody seconded the motion, and motion carried 3-0.

COUNTY LOGO

Cheri Taylor, executive director for the Perry County Chamber of Commerce attended the meeting and explained that the Chamber, CVB, and PCDC are using the same logo to unify all agencies. She asked if the commissioners would consider changing the county logo also, so the entire county will be using a unified logo. She showed them the new logo which depicts the sun rising over a hilly landscape above the words, "Perry County Indiana" and "life is better". Cheri stated that they are not asking county offices to change the county logo on anything until it is time to reorder. Tom stated that he liked the idea of the unified presence. Jody made the motion to adopt the logo and Tom seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

DISTRESSED ROAD LOAN

It was explained that Highway Superintendent, Ed Feix, had been working with the State on the Distressed Road Loan. The \$600,000 loan is due to be repaid in the year 2014. At this time, enough funds have been collected in the Distressed Road Loan Repayment Fund to pay back the \$600,000 early and at the same time re-borrow the \$600,000 in 2013. A letter had been prepared that will be included in the application that required the signature of the Commissioner President. Tom made the motion to proceed with the pay back and re-borrowing of the \$600,000 along with allowing Bill to sign the letter, and Jody seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

ESCROW AGREEMENT

County Attorney, Chris Goffinet, explained that an escrow account should be set up with Old National Bank for Craftsman Construction, Inc. Craftsman Construction was the successful bidder for the Perry County Sheriff's Office and Detention Center. Chris stated that when Craftsman submits bills, a percentage will be retained by the bank and placed in an interest bearing escrow account. After the job is completed the contractor will receive the money. Tom made the motion to approve the agreement and Jody seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

ADA TRANSITIONAL PLAN

ADA Coordinator, Tom Hauser, stated that the County Council had approved the funding for the ADA plan in order to finish the remaining milestones. The remaining milestones should be finished by the end of this year. After this the county will have a completed ADA plan. Tom explained that Bernardin, Lochmueller and Associates, Inc. had completed milestone 1 and now the commissioners need to approve the amendment to the agreement for milestones 2, 3 & 4. The county attorney had reviewed amendment no 1 to the agreement, and found it to be in proper legal order. Jody made the motion to approve the amendment and Bill seconded the motion. Motion carried 2-0 with Tom abstaining.

TRANSFER OF VEHICLE

Commissioner President, Bill Amos, reminded the commissioners that at their last meeting they had received bids on a 1989 GMC one-ton 4x4 truck. At that meeting they had rejected all bids, because they felt the bids were too low. Bill explained that after looking at the truck the highway department has decided that they could use the truck. Jody made the motion to transfer the truck from the Perry County EMA department to the Perry County Highway Department. Tom seconded motion, and motion carried 3-0.

BOARD APPOINTMENT

Perry County Public Library: County Administrator, Teresa Kanneberg, reminded the commissioners that David Carney no longer wanted to be on the board. She stated that she had received a letter from Jayne Land asking to be appointed to the board. Teresa explained that this would be a 2 month appointment, because stating January 1, 2013 all library board members will have to be appointed. This is due to the fact that the Tell City Perry County Library merged with the Cannelton Library. She stated that in December the commissioners will have to appoint 2 people to the library board. One will be an 1 year appointment and the other will be a 2 year appointment. After this they will be 4 year appointments. Jody made the motion to appoint Jayne Land to the Perry County Public Library board, with her term expiring December 31, 2012. Tom seconded the motion and motion carried 3-0.

Teresa announced that the next meeting of the Board of Commissioners will be held on Wednesday, November 21, 2012 at 8:00 a.m.

The meeting ended in open session at 6:35 p.m.

Minutes approved this 26th day of December 2012.

Bill Amos, President

Louis J. Fortwendel

Thomas J. Hauser

*Minutes prepared by:
Connie A. Berger, Perry County Auditor*